

The Daily Courant.

Tuesday, June 22. 1703.

In the Courant of Friday last, were inserted 2 Memorials of the Marquess de Puisieux, presented to the General Assembly of the Swiss Cantons at Baden; in the last of which mention is made of a Proposal offer'd to the said Cantons by the Marshal de Villars; What that Proposal is, may be seen by the following Letter, sent by that General on the 23d of last Month from his Camp at Meskirken.

From the Amsterdam Gazette, dated June 26.

Gentlemen,

I Have receiv'd the Letter which you did me the Honour to write and dispatch to me by Monsieur Anthony Schnorf; You will permit me to tell you, that I am surpriz'd at the Uneasiness you shew at the Neighbourhood of the King's Troops, seeing it has been always advantageous to your Frontiers. Our Armies are employ'd to enrich our Friends, and destroy our Enemies. I prosecute those two Designs with equal Ardour; and as I will not be wanting in any thing that may be profitable to your Subjects, so I will do what is in my Power to make those States repent, who without cause have declar'd against his Majesty, and made use of Places, which the sole desire of settling the Peace of Europe prevail'd with him to give up, to come and attack those which were thought to be sufficiently secur'd by the Engagements of a Neutrality, enter'd into with the Ministers of the King, and those of the Elector of Bavaria. That Prince, who has no other View than to preserve the Tranquility of the Empire, encompass'd with Enemies, supported himself by his Resolution; but he might apprehend being over-power'd at last, were it possible that the August and Powerful Protection of the Greatest King on Earth could fail those who declare for a Cause so just as his. The Design of Supporting his Electoral Highness of Bavaria, mov'd his Majesty to order me to enter into the Empire, which by God's Assistance we have done; nor could five or six Retrenchments, with the Natural Strength of the Places, nor the Forces of the Emperor, the Empire, and Holland, stop us. We come not, Gentlemen, to give any Uneasiness, or do the least Injury to our ancient Friends and Allies: And if a Body of our Troops appears near the Lake of Constance, I will very frankly tell you the plain reason. You know, Gentlemen, that our Letters have been stop'd in your Territories in breach of the Publick Faith; these 7 Months the Authority which you suffer the Ambassador of the Emperor to take upon him in your Cities, (not without a Blemish to your Glory, and derogation from your Sovereign Power) has intercepted the Letters not only of the Court and the Generals of the King's Armies; but, what appears more evidently, tho' less to be regarded, the private Letters of Merchants relating purely to Commerce. How can I then hope to be honour'd with the King's Orders, and to receive Advices from France, if I have not a Post on the Lake or very near it, by which Letters may be convey'd from your Territories to my Camp.

'Tis so certain, Gentlemen, that this is my only Design, that if the Laudable and Illustrious 13 Cantons, will procure an Assurance from the Emperor and the Empire, that any of your Subjects shall be permitted to bring the Letters directed to my Army once every eight days, inclos'd in a Pacquet seal'd with your Arms, either from Schaffhuyssen to Ulm, or from St. Gall to Memmingen, I engage on my part that I will not possess my self of any Post in the Neighbourhood of Switzerland.

I hope, Gentlemen, your most Laudable Diet will find the Proposition I make to be even above what is just and reasonable; but I may doubt whether it will be accepted by our Enemies (tho' very Advantageous to those who are not in a Condition to defend what I should attack) especially after what has lately been suffer'd by the above-mention'd Monsieur Anthony Schnorf, Vice Bailiff of the County of Baden; John Ulrich Ziegler, Town Clerk of Schaffhuyssen; and Francis Walter Etzelin Burgher of the City of Keyserthal. By these Persons and their Attendants we have been inform'd of the unworthy Usage put upon them by the Enemies Troops by order of the Governour of Hohenweil. These 3 Officers were preceded by one of your Trumpeters, carrying your Passports, yet after the same were examin'd, they were, contrary to the Publick Faith and the Rights of Nations, search'd and rifled, their Papers were taken from them, and other ill Treatment shewn them.

What think you, Gentlemen, of such Neighbours? for, at the very time when they behav'd themselves with so little Respect to the 13 Cantons, these 3 Persons assur'd them they were going on a Negotiation tending to their Quiet and Welfare. I hope, Gentlemen, the Magistrates of Schaffhuyssen have given you a different account of my Conduct. No sooner did they acquaint me that they had some Interest in the County of Stusslingen, &c. but I satisfied them in all they desired. And perhaps this Easiness of mine, put one of the Burghers upon asking me to pay for Horses taken by the Emperor's Troops. You will excuse me if I do not carry my Complaisance so far, as to make good the Damage done to your Subjects by the Enemy, tho' I am at all times dispos'd to protect them against any Insults. Such, Gentlemen, are the Orders of his Majesty, which God will give me the Grace to execute ever with Ardour and with Joy, those especially that regard your generai or particular Interest. This, Gentlemen, is what I intreat you to be perswaded of, as also of my Respect for the Laudable Helvetick Body, and of the Affection with which I shall always be, Gentlemen, your very humble Servant

The Marshal de Villars.

From the Harlem Courant, dated June 21.

Basil, June 3. The Grisons have posted 900 Men in the Pass call'd the Steig, which will be reinforc'd by 100 Men more to be furnish'd by the City of Choire. The Pass is fortified with 7 Redoubts, yet to put it into a perfect State of Defence, the Grisons sent to the Magistrates of Zurich for an expert Ingenier, who

who have dispatch'd the Sieur Wertmuller thither : Thus the Passage through the Territories of the Grisons, either into Tirol or Milan, is secur'd.

From the Amsterdam Courant, dated June 26.

Bafil, June 16. The General Assembly of the Cantons at Baden is broken up ; but will meet again at the end of 14 days. The Propofal of the Marshal de Villars, touching a Communication of Letters between his Army and France over our Territories, is communicated to the Imperial Minister, and accordingly the Emperor's Answer is shortly expected. The Cantons of Zurich and Bern are for directly refusing it to the French ; but the Roman Catholick Cantons would have it allow'd them.

Falmouth, June 17. Last Night sail'd Eastward 5 homeward bound Merchant Ships for London, as did 3 Prizes taken by 2 Flushing Capers. Advice came this Afternoon from the Lizzard, that near that place a French Shallop was seen to take an English Ship (as it was suppos'd) inward bound, upon which the Sidney Man of War immediately set Sail out of this Haven in quest of her.

Sheilds, June 17. Two days ago put in here a Scotch Flyboat laden with Hemp, Flax, &c. from Hamburg, who had been taken by Ponti's Squadron, and in custody 2 days, but the English Squadron under Rear Admiral Beaumont pursuing them close in view, they left towing her along and quitted her.

Portsmouth, June 20. Yesterday towards Evening Sir Cloudfly Shovel with the English and Dutch Ships set Sail from Spithead, and this Morning all the Merchant Ships outward bound are making all things in a readiness to follow them to St. Hellens, and tomorrow if the Wind favours will put to Sea.

Harwich, June 19. Yesterday pass'd by this place about 200 Sail of laden Colliers for the River.

London, June 21. We are inform'd that a Person is arriv'd to day from Holland, who brings News, that Monsieur Coehorn has forc'd the French Lines in Flanders.

For the Entertainment of his Excellency the Envoy Extraordinary (from the King of Denmark) and several other Forreign Ministers, and Ladies of Quality.

2.0
AT the Theatre Royal in Drury-Lane, this present Tuesday being the 22d of June, will be presented the last New Comedy call'd, *Love's Contrivance*, or, *Le Medicin Malgre Luy*. With an Entertainment of Instrumental Musick perform'd by the Famous Signior Gasperini and Monsieur Du Ruell and others, accompany'd by Mrs. Campion on the Harpsicord, and several Entertainments of Singing by Mr. Leveridge and her, viz. The Mad Dialogue compos'd by the late Mr. Henry Purcell, and another Dialogue that was perform'd originally in the Opera call'd, *The World in the Moon*. And several other new Songs compos'd by Mr. Weldon. Also several new Entertainments of Dancing by Monsieur Du Ruell and Mrs. Campion, For her own Benefit. And tomorrow will be presented a New Comedy never acted before, call'd, *Vice Reclaim'd*, or, *The Passionate Mistress*.

2.5
T Here is to be Lett by Lease or otherwise a New Brick House with a large Court-Yard before it, having also a Coach-house, Stables, Gardens, and other Conveniencies belonging to it, situated in Upper Holloway at the foot of Highgate. Enquire of Hen. Asgill at the Sign of the Castle over against the May-Pole in the Strand, or at the said House.

2.6
AT the Black-a-Moor's Head in Shandois-street, Covent-Garden, London, is to be advis'd with Dr. Read, the Approved Occalist, who has lately restor'd these persons following to their Sight, Madam Lamb at

Colchester Blind of both Eyes of a Cataract many Years, was restor'd to her perfect Sight in two minutes, Aged 76, Mr. Scott in Chancery-Lane restor'd to sight on both Eyes, Aged 70 ; Mrs. Beuming Aged near 80, a Mr. Barber's at the Wheat-Sheaf in High-Holborn was couch'd of both Eyes by him, and brought to her sight, on May 29. 1703. And several more of Albuge's, Defluxion of Humours, and several other Distempers of the Eyes ; and 200 and upwards of Cataracts within this Fourteen Months ; particularly Mrs. Katharine and Alice Hewson near Hayworth in Suffolk, both brought to sight who were born Blind.

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